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**CURRICULUM VITAE**

- 1 Family Name** Ajani
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- 6 Education** 1979 Doctor in Jurisprudence, University of Torino, *Magna cum laude*.  
1982 Diplome de II Cycle Faculté Int. de Droit Comparé Strasbourg

**7 Membership of Academic or Professional Bodies**

- Academic, International Academy of Comparative Law, Paris
- Association Henri Capitant, Paris
- European Law Institute, Wien
- Admitted to the Bar, 1990

**8 Key Qualifications**

- Legal reforms in the “Transition States”, Codification of civil and commercial law in Central and Eastern Europe, the Russian Federation, Ukraine, the PR of China, Albania and Balkan Countries
- International Trade, Law and Development
- Contracts law, EU private and consumers law
- Law and Language
- Legal Drafting
- Law and Arts

## **9 Grants and Awards**

(2019) Doctor Honoris Causa, Université de Savoie, Chambéry

(2015) Confucius Institute Individual Performance Excellence Award, Beijing

(2015) Gold Medal, Pirogov Institute, Moscow

(2012 -2016) Scientific Coordinator at University of Torino, Department of Law on a project funded by the Seventh Framework Program (FP7) on “Evaluating Policies for Sustainable Energy Investments: Towards an Integrated Approach on National and International Stage”. The network coordinated by University of Turin, Department of Law, Italy includes the Euro-Mediterranean Center for Climate Change (CMCC), Venice, Italy; University of Eastern Piedmont, Faculty of Law, Italy; University of Lund, Department of Political Science, Lund, Sweden; Université de Provence, Center of Comparative Epistemology & Ergology (CEPERC), France, Tsinghua University, Center for Environmental, Natural Resources & Energy Law (THCEREL), Beijing, China; Chinese Research Academy of Environmental Sciences (CRAES) in Beijing, China; Tomsk State University, Department of Law, Russia

(2008-2013) Scientific Coordinator at University of Torino, Department of Law for a project on “ICT4 LAW Converging on Law: Next Generation Services for Citizens, Enterprises, Public Administration and Policymakers” funded by the Regione Piemonte in the framework of the Converging Technologies 2007 in network with Università degli Studi di Torino Dipartimento di Informatica, Università degli Studi di Torino , Dipartimento di Scienze Economiche e Finanziarie "G. Prato", Università del Piemonte Orientale “Amedeo Avogadro”, Dipartimento di Studi per l’Impresa e il Territorio, Università del Piemonte Orientale “Amedeo Avogadro”, Dipartimento di Informatica, CERIS CNR and five private companies

(2002-2006) Scientific Unit Coordinator at University of Torino, Department of Law, for a project funded by the Sixth Framework Program (FP6) of the European Commission (Identification Number FP6-2002-CITIZENS-3, Contract Number 513351) “Joint Network on European Private Law”, in network with University of Bielefeld (Coordinator), Max Planck Institute for Foreign Private Law and Private International Law, University of Osnabrück, Paris-Sud University, Universität Salzburg, Tilburg University, University of Trieste, Utrecht University, Academy of European Law (ERA), Universiteit van Amsterdam, Association Henri Capitant, University of Bergen, Bielefeld University, University of Edinburgh, Göteborg University, University of Graz, University of Innsbruck. The CoPECL Network of Excellence, founded in May 2005, comprises several Universities, Institutions and other Organisations, as well as more than 150 researchers operating in all EU Member States. <http://www.copecl.org>

(1998 – 2002) Scientific Coordinator at University of Torino, Department of Law for a project funded by the Fifth Framework Program (FP5) of the European Commission (Contract Number HPRN-CT-2002-00229) on the “Uniform Terminology for European Private Law”, in network with University of Barcelona (ubcn.dei) -Departament de Dret economia i internacionals; Université Jean Moulin Lyon 3 (ujml.idc) -Institut de droit comparé "Edouard Lambert"; Westfaelische Wilhelms-Universitaet (umsr.cep) -Centre of

European Private Law, Germany; University of Nijmegen (kun.oor) -Faculty of Law, Business & Law Research Centre, The Netherlands; University of Oxford (uoxf.fl) - Faculty of Law, United Kingdom; University of Warsaw (uwars.la) -Faculty of Law and Administration, Poland.<http://www.uniformterminology.unito.it>

## 10 Professional Experience Record

Present      Board Member, PhD Programme IEL (<http://iel.carloalberto.org>)

Fellow, Käte Hamburger Kolleg, Universität Bonn

Co-editor, *Art & Law*, Brill

Co-editor, *Contratto e Impresa Europa*, Cedam

2013-2019      Rector, University of Torino

President, Confucius Institute of Torino

President, Université Franco-italienne

2016      Consultant to a GTZ/GIZ project of codification of Private Law in the Republic of Kosovo

2009-2013      Dean, Faculty of Law, University of Torino

2011      Visiting Professor, (Introduction to Chinese Business Law)

University of Georgetown Summer Programme, Law Centre, London

2006-2009      Deputy Director, Centre of Advanced Studies on Contemporary China (CASCC)

1998-2006      Expert, GTZ/GIZ legal reform projects in the PRC (Contract and commercial law)

1998-2004      Head, Department of Law, University of Torino

2001      Visiting Professor, Zhongnan University of Economics and Law,  
Wuhan PR of China (Spring term)

2000      Expert, UNDP project-training of National Assembly officials, Hanoi,Vietnam

2000      Visiting Professor (Jan.-March), Comparative Law, Université de Fribourg,  
Faculté de Droit

1999      Lecturer, European Law, University of Hanoi, Faculty of Law, Vietnam

1997      Visiting Professor, EC Law, Fall term, UC Berkeley, School of Law

1996-1998      Of Counsel, Brosio, Casati, Allen&Overy, Torino, London

- 1995 Visiting Professor, Law and Economics, Fall term,  
UC Berkeley, School of Law
- 1994 Participant in a EC/TACIS project to provide technical assistance  
for implementation of a privatisation strategy in Armenia, Azerbaijan and Georgia
- 1994 OSCE Expert - to facilitate dialogue between Ukrainian Government and Crimean  
Authorities
- 1992 -1995 Consultant to the IMF and the Council of Europe on the project of recodification of civil  
law in Albania
- 1991 Legal Expert, the Sacharov Foundation initiative to advise the USSR Government on  
legal reforms in the realm of Property and Contract Law
- 1990 -1996 Director, Department of Law University of Trento.
- 1988 Visiting Professor , Soviet Law, Fall term, UC, Berkeley, School  
of Law
- 1987 -1996 Professor of Law Faculty of Law, University of Trento
- 1995, 1987 Visiting Scholar, Documentation Office for Russian and Eastern European Law,  
University of Leiden
- 1982 Visiting Scholar Moscow, Institute of State and Law of the Academy of Sciences
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### **Recent Publications (2003-2019)**

- 1.** G.Ajani, R. Schulze (eds.), *Gemeinsame Prinzipien des europäischen Privatrechts*, Nomos Verlag, Baden Baden, 2003, pp. 1-429
- 2.** G.Ajani, “Legal Taxonomy and European Private Law”, in G.Ajani, R. Schulze (eds.), *Gemeinsame Prinzipien des europäischen Privatrechts* , Nomos, Baden Baden, 2003, 349-356
- 3.** G. Ajani, “Navigatori e giuristi. A proposito del trapianto di nozioni vaghe, in V. Bertorello (ed.), *Io comparo*, Giuffré, Milan, 2003, pp. 3-19.
- 4.** G.Ajani, “Institutional support to SME in Italy and Suggestions for Regulations Relating to Intermediary Institutions Promoting SME in Chinese Law”, in Financial and Economic Committee of the NPC, *The Law of the PR of China on the Promotion of Small and Medium Sized Enterprises*, CITIC Pub. House, Beijing, 2004, vol. III pp. 531-542
- 5.** G.Ajani “Government Support for SME in Italy and Suggestions for a Framework on Government Support for SME in Chinese Law”, in Financial and Economic Committee of the NPC, *The Law of the PR of China on the Promotion of Small and Medium Sized Enterprises*, CITIC Pub. House, Beijing,

2004, vol III pp. 555-564

6. G.Ajani "Principles for a Model Law on SME", in Financial and Economic Committee of the NPC, The Law of the PR of China on the Promotion of Small and Medium Sized Enterprises, CITIC Pub. House, Beijing, 2004, vol III pp.585-609
7. G.Ajani "Return to the codification" (in Chinese language), in 16 Peking University Law Journal, no. 6, 2004, 692-791
8. G. Ajani P. Rossi, Codice dei consumatori, Giappichelli, Torino, 2005, pp. i-xiii; 1-344
9. G. Ajani, Sistemi giuridici comparati. Lezioni e Materiali, Giappichelli, Torino, 2005, pp. 1-358
10. G. Ajani, M. Ebers (eds.), Uniform Terminology for European Private Law, Nomos, Baden Baden 2005, pp. 1-389
11. G. Ajani, M. Ebers, "Introduction", in G. Ajani, M. Ebers (eds.) Uniform Terminology for European Private Law, Nomos, Baden Baden 2005
12. G. Ajani, The Transplant of Vague Notions, in Liber Amicorum Z. Peteri, S. Istvan Tarsulat, Budapest, 2005, pp. 17-37
13. G. Ajani, *Das Recht der Laender Osteuropas*, Berliner Wissenschafts Verlag, 2005, pp. 1-253
14. G.Ajani "Rule of Law in the PR of China", Proceedings of the China Law Society, Beijing, October 19-22, 2005 (in Chinese language)
15. G. Ajani, "Law and Economic Reform in the Transition from Plan to Market", Int. Encycl. of Comparative Law, vol. XVI State and Economy, R. Buxbaum, F. Madl (eds.), Mohr, Tubingen, 2006
16. G. Ajani, P. Rossi, "Coerenza del diritto privato europeo e multilinguismo", in V. Jacometti, B. Pozzo (cur.), Le politiche linguistiche delle istituzioni comunitarie dopo l'allargamento, Giuffré, Milano, 2006, pp. 119-140
17. G. Ajani, "La Rule of Law in Cina", in Mondo Cinese, 2006, n. 126, pp. 18-25
18. G. Ajani , P. Rossi, "Multilingualism and the Coherence of European Private Law", in B. Pozzo, V. Jacometti (eds.) Multilingualism and the Harmonization of European Law, Kluwer Law Int., Alphen a/d Rijn, 2006, pp. 79-91
19. G.Ajani, L. Lesmo, G. Boella, A. Mazzei, P. Rossi, "Multilingual Conceptual Dictionaries Based on Ontologies", in Proceedings of the XML Workshop, European Press Academic Pub., C. Biagioli, E. Francesconi, G. Sartor (eds.), Florence, 2007
20. G. Ajani, "Alcune considerazioni su comparazione giuridica, traduzione e 'coerenza' del diritto privato europeo", in E. Ioriatti Ferrari (cur.), La traduzione del diritto comunitario ed europeo: riflessioni metodologiche, Univ. di Trento, Trento, 2007, pp. 113-131
21. G .Ajani, A. Serafino, M. Timoteo, *Diritto dell'Asia Orientale*, UTET, Torino, 2007 pp i-xiii, 1-480
22. G. Ajani, "Cohérence du droit privé européen et multilinguisme: deux principes qui s'opposent ? ", *Revue Droit des Affaires Int.*, 2007, pp. 493-507
23. G.Ajani, "Terminology and Search Functions", in 25 Years of European Law Online, Publications Office of the EC, Luxembourg, 2007, pp. 129-136
24. G. Ajani, "E pluribus unum (?). Illusioni dell'armonizzazione e utilità dell'ontologia", in 47 *Rivista di Estetica*, 2007, pp. 13-26
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26. G.Ajani, "Le multilinguisme, les langues du droit et la recherche de cohérence du droit privé"

européen, in G.Ajani, G. Peruginelli, G. Sartor, D. Tiscornia (eds.), *The Multilanguage Complexity of European Law*, European Press, 2007, pp. 23-39

**27.** G.Ajani, “Legal Change and Institutional Reforms”, in *Ret tog tolerance. Festkift til Helge Johan Thue*, Glyndental Norsk Forlag, Oslo, 2007, pp. 473-497

**28.** G.Ajani, (with S. Stafutti), *Colpirne uno per educarne cento. Slogans e parole d'ordine per capire la Cina contemporanea*, Einaudi, Torino, 2008, pp. 1-168

**29.** G.Ajani, “A Better Coherence of EU Private Law and Multilingualism”, in R Schulze (ed.), *Common Frame of Reference and Existing EC Contract Law*, Sellier, Munchen, 2008, pp.33-46

**30.** G. Ajani (with J. Luther, eds.), *Modelli giuridici europei nella Cina contemporanea*, Jovene, Napoli, 2009, pp. 1-368)

**31.** G.Ajani (with P. Casanovas, U. Pagallo, G. Sartor eds.), *AI Approaches to the Complexity of Legal Systems*, Springer, 2010, pp. 1-241

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**33.** G. Ajani, Trapianto di norme ‘informato’ e globalizzazione: alcune considerazioni, in *Studi in onore di Aldo Frignani*, Jovene, Napoli, 2011, pp. 3-16

**34.** G.Ajani, “Diritto privato europeo: nuove complessità”, in *Contratto e impresa Europa*, 2012, n. 1

**35.** G.Ajani, “Il codice civile albanese,” in Annuario di diritto comparato e studi legislativi, 2014

**36.** G.Ajani, G. Boella, et al., “The European Taxonomy Syllabus: A multi-lingual, multi-level ontology framework to untangle the web of European legal terminology”, in *Applied Ontology*, 2016, pp. 325-375  
[www.iospress.nl/loadtop/load.php?isbn=15705838](http://www.iospress.nl/loadtop/load.php?isbn=15705838)

**37.** G.Ajani, “Le traduzioni delle nozioni vaghe”, in *The Cardozo Electronic Law Bulletin*, 2017 pp.1-18.

**38.** G.Ajani, “Ruling by Indicators: How the Use of Vague Notions and Quantitative Indicators Facilitates Legal Change”, in *Cardozo Electronic Law Bulletin*, 2017, pp. 3-25

**39.** G.Ajani, R. Cavallo Perin, B. Gagliardi, “L’Università: un’amministrazione pubblica particolare”, in *Federalismi.it*, 14/2017, pp. 1-12

**40.** G., Ajani, S. Ferreri, “Comparative Law and Multicultural Legal Classes: Challenge or Opportunity ? “, in Annuario di diritto comparato e studi legislativi, 2018, pp. 1-25

**41.** G. Ajani, “Russian Liberalism and the Rule of Law: Notes from Underground”, in (R.M. Cucciolla ed.) *Dimensions and Challenges of Russian Liberalism*, Springer, 2019, pp. 15-26